U.S. Patent and Trademark Office for the Examiner's convenience. It is believed that the grouping of claims based upon the Restriction Requirement should be as follows:

- A. Claims 1-6 and 20-24 (Class 709, sub-class 227).
- B. Claims 7-15 (Class 709, sub-class 245).
- C. Claims 16-19 (Class 705, sub-class 1).

In the event the Examiner requires a Preliminary Amendment, or other Action in order to ensure that the proper claims are being examined, it is requested that the Examiner contact the undersigned.

If there are any fees due in connection with the filing of this response, please charge those fees to our Deposit Account No. 02-2666.

## PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Per 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a) and in connection with the Office Action mailed on TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 2003, Applicant respectfully petitions Commissioner for a one (1) month extension of time, extending the period for response to MONDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2003 (November 30, 2003 being a Sunday). Attached is a check in the amount of \$110.00 to cover the petition filing fee for a 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a)(1) large entity. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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